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Dear Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action mailed November 30, 2004, Applicants concurrently file a Request for Continued Examination for the above-identified U. S. Patent Application and a Preliminary Amendment. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the claims in view of the amendment and remarks set forth below. Appendix A (a Declaration by Mr. Shimizu), an Information Disclosure Statement, a Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time and authorization to pay the \$ 1020.00 37 CFR Sec. 1.17(a)(3) fee accompany this response.

AMENDMENT